



JOSYULA KRISHNA MURTHY
Akademi Award: Kuchipudi Yakshagana (Mridangam)

Sbri Josyula Krishna Murthy was born in 1929 in Kuchipudi village of Andhra Pradesh. He received his training in the Mridangam music of Kuchipudi Yakshagana under Pasumarthi Ramakotaiab and Mahadeva Radhakrishna Raji. He also learned Kuchipudi dance from Todapalu Perayya Sastry and Vedantam Lakshminarayana Sastry.

Sbri Josyula Krishna Murthy has distinguished himself as a Mridangam player in Kuchipudi Yakshagana.

In a long career as percussionist, he has accompanied many Kuchipudi Yakshagana artists including Sbri Vedantam Satyanarayana Sarma. He has participated in many seminars and lecture-demonstrations on Kuchipudi Yakshagana.

For his excellence as a Mridangam player in Kuchipudi Yakshagana, Sbri Krishnamurthy has been conferred the title Yakshagana Mridanga Vidwan by the Venkata Rama Natya Mandali, Kuchipudi.

Sbri Josyula Krishna Murthy receives the Sangeet Natak Akademi Award for his contribution to Kuchipudi Yakshagana music.